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SUBJECT: OMEGA AUSTRALIA

REF: CANBERRA 8622 (DTG 300349Z NOV 76)

1. WHILE ORIGINAL INTENTION HAD BEEN FOR OMEGA TEAM TO
LIMIT DISCUSSIONS TO TECHNICAL ISSUES ONLY, RECEIPT OF
REVISED GOA DRAFT OF AGREEMENT (SEPTTEL) PROVIDES OPPOR-
TUNITY FOR DISCUSSION OF TEXT. THEREFORE, DEPARTMENT
ADDING JOHN REINERTSON TO TEAM FOR THIS PURPOSE.

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REINERTSON, FROM DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE, FOREIGN MILITARY

RIGHTS AFFAIRS, OASD/ISA, IS THE AUTHORIZED USG NEGOTIATOR FOR OMEGA AGREEMENT AND WILL BE PREPARED TO NEGOTIATE AD REFERENDUM.

2. FYI. WITH EXCEPTION OF PARAGRAPH SIX, WE HAVE NO MAJOR PROBLEMS WITH GOA DRAFT. WHILE WE UNDERSTAND GOA'S DESIRE TO CLEARLY DEMONSTRATE ITS CONTROL OVER FACILITY, WE BELIEVE THIS IS ALREADY COVERED IN PARAGRAPH FIVE WHICH GIVES GOA SOLE RESPONSIBILITY FOR OPERATING FACILITY. SPECIFIC REFERENCE IN AGREEMENT TO GOA RIGHT TO SUSPEND OPERATION OF FACILITY WOULD BE EXTREMELY DIFFICULT FOR USG TO ACCEPT. WHILE IN CANBERRA REINERTSON

WOULD APPRECIATE RECEIVING EMBASSY'S VIEWS AND COMMENTS AS TO HOW TO RESOLVE THIS ISSUE. END FYI.

3. TEAM PLEASED TO ACCEPT ASSISTANCE BEING OFFERED AT SYDNEY AS WELL AS USAFLO TRANSPORT TO CANBERRA. COMMERCIAL RESERVATIONS SYDNEY-CANBERRA HAVE BEEN CANCELLED. TEAM CONTINUES TO HOLD COMMERCIAL RESERVATIONS CANBERRA-MELBOURNE. REQUEST CANBERRA AND MELBOURNE RESERVE HOTEL ROOM FOR REINERTSON. ROBINSON

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